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Via Electronic Filing

The Honorable Magistrate Judge Katherine Polk Failla U.S. District Court Southern District of New York 500 Pearl St New York, NY 10007

Re: Hugo Ortega Hernandez et al v. Muzzarella Inc. et al - Request for Extension

Case No.: 1:17-cv-06164

Dear Honorable Magistrate Judge Failla:

This law firm represents Defendants Muzzarella Inc., John Russo, and Anthony Muzzarella (the "Defendants") in the above-referenced action.

Pursuant to Your Honor's Individual Motion Practices, this letter respectfully serves as a request to extend the deadline to file the parties' joint pretrial order, jury charge requests and proposed *voir dire* questions, which are presently due on December 26, 2018. The Court had previously granted one prior extension request. This request is made on consent of Plaintiff's counsel.

The requested new deadline date is through and including January 11, 2019.

The reason for the request is that Defendants' counsel is currently on holiday leave and will not be available to review the proposed documents until on or around January 11, 2019.

The requested extension would not affect any other scheduled dates.

Accordingly, Defendants request a brief extension of time to submit these documents from December 26, 2018 to January 11, 2019.

Thank you, in advance, for your time and attention.

Respectfully submitted,

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